NOV 1 3 2003 BY

DOCKET NO: 217032US0CONT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

RECEIVED

VERONIQUE CHEVALIER, ET AL.

: EXAMINER: YU, G.C.

NOV 1 8 2003

SERIAL NO: 10/002,959

TECH CELLER 1600/2900

FILED: DECEMBER 5, 2001

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1617

FOR: COMPOSITION WITH A

CONTINUOUS AQUEOUS PHASE

CONTAINING L-2-OXOTHIAZOLIDINE-

4-CARBOXYLIC ACID

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.